

Remarks

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-5 and 8-15 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 8, and 11 being the independent claims. Claims 1, 5, 8, 10-11, and 15 are sought to be amended. Claims 1, 5, 8, 10, and 11 are sought to be amended to correct minor grammatical errors and/or to more accurately provide reference to terms found in previous claims or earlier in the same claim. Claim 15 is sought to be amended to place a comma after the preamble for consistency. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

The Amendment of "defines" to --holds-- in Claim 1

The 'amendment' of "defines" to --holds-- in claim 1 is not actually an amendment, but instead points out that this portion of claim 1 appears to have been inadvertently altered by Applicant in Amendments filed during prosecution. The use of the word "holds" was introduced by the Amendment and Response to Office Action, dated July 26, 2002, but appears to have been changed to "defines," without the required markup in subsequent Amendments. It is believed that the word "defines" was inadvertently typed by Applicant when claim 1 was retyped for subsequent Amendments filed during prosecution. Support for using the word "holds" can be found, for example, in lines 7-12 of the first full paragraph on page 6 of the specification as originally filed. Thus, this 'amendment' adds no new matter. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner ensure that the word "holds" be used, and not the inadvertently typed "defines."

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The Title of the Application

In the Examiner's Amendment submitted with the Notice of Allowability mailed on May 16, 2005, the Examiner amended the title to read:

TWO OR MORE INDEPENDENT LANE CONDITION VALUES ARE SET TO
THE SAME VALUE SO THAT EACH CONDITION VALUE IS GENERATED
REGARDLESS OF THE DEGREE OF OPERAND PACKING

However, Applicant believes the Examiner-amended title to be unacceptable due to its length and level of detail. Applicant prefers the title as amended in the Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, filed on July 6, 2004:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SELECTIVELY CONTROLLING OPERATIONS
IN LANES

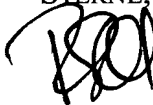
Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that this title be entered.

Conclusion

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested. Applicant believes the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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